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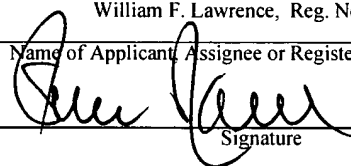
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Sir:

Enclosed are copies of the following publications which are cited in the European

Search Report.

- 1) EP 0,252,237 published January 13, 1988;
- 2) Canadian Patent No. 1,291,344 published October 29, 1991 which relates  
to EP 0,252,237;
- 3) Database Accession No. 1998-72171;

- 4) Database Accession No. 1999-82695;
- 5) Database Accession No. 1996-81471;
- 6) WO 96/32013 published October 17, 1996;
- 7) Database Accession No. 1994-81168;
- 8) Database Accession No. 1989-81729;
- 9) Database Accession No. 1989-81953;
- 10) The Pesticide Manual, 10<sup>th</sup> Edition, pp. 1335-1341;
- 11) WO 97/36488 published October 9, 1997;
- 12) WO 96/22692 published August 1, 1996 (first page only); and
- 13) English language abstract of WO 9505082 published February 23, 1995.

The following document was cited in the European Search Report and is already of record.

- 1) WO 98/09525 published March 12, 1998.

Applicants respectfully request and petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to consider and make of record the documents cited herein in the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) and that a copy of Form PTO-1449 be initialed by the Examiner and returned to the undersigned. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before receipt of a first Office Action and within the three months of the mailing date of the European Search Report to Applicant. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) (1) or any deficiency against Deposit Account 50-0320.

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We have also enclosed a copy of the International Search Report as well as Form PTO 1449 in duplicate which is considered part of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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